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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAID, LA, JQV

SUBJ: LAOS CONSULTATIVE GROUP MEETING

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1. ON APRIL 8, DRAWING ON REFTEL, EMBASSY DISCUSSED FORTHCOMING
LAOS DONORS' MEETING WITH KIKUCHI, DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL,
ECONOMIC COOPERATION BUREAU, FONOFF. KIKUCHI RECALLED
THAT GOJ HAD FORMERLY BEEN MOST ANXIOUS THAT CONSUL-
TATIVE GROUP FOR SOUTH VIETNAM BE ESTABLISHED AND HAD
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SUPPORTED FORMATION OF LAOS CONSULTATIVE GROUP AS QTE

SMOKESSCREEN UNQTE BEHIND WHICH SOUTH VIETNAM GROUP
COULD BE FORMED. IT SEEMS LESS LIKELY NOW THAT SOUTH
VIETNAM GROUP WILL BE FORMED, HE SAID, HENCE PURPOSE
OF LAOS DONORS' MEETING IS NOW MORE LIMITED.

2. NONETHELESS, GOJ DOES NOT DOWNGRADE IMPORTANCE OF MEETING.
GOJ VIEWS MEETING AS FORUM FOR EXCHANGE OF VIEWS AND
REVIEW OF LAOTIAN SITUATION, ALTHOUGH NOT AS PLEDGING
SESSION. GOJ DOES NOT ANTICIPATE PROPOSING FORMATION
OF CG, BUT IT WOULD GO ALONG WITH SUCH A PROPOSAL IF
IT COMMANDS SUPPORT OF STRONG MAJORITY. FORMATION OF
CG WOULD NECESSITATE COORDINATION OF CG AND FEOF
ACTIVITIES, WHICH MIGHT BE DIFFICULT IN LIGHT OF DIFFERING
COMPOSITION OF TWO DONOR GROUPS. REGARDLESS OF WHETHER
CG IS FORMED GOJ WILL ATTEND ANY FUTURE LAOS DONOR
MEETINGS.

3. KIKUCHI WILL ATTEND APRIL 28-29 MEETING AS GOJ REP.
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